HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1315

By Weaver

A RESOLUTION recognizing the Lancaster Independence Day Parade.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of this General Assembly pause in their deliberations to recognize those impressive and instructional community events in this State; and

WHEREAS, the Lancaster Independence Day Parade, held each year on the Sunday falling before July 4, is one such community event, which serves to educate and entertain the many people who flock each year to join the festivities; and

WHEREAS, now in its sixth year, the Lancaster Independence Day Parade arose from a conversation held around a kitchen table among friends who understood the importance of the history of this great Nation as well as the importance of bringing honor and glory to the benevolent Creator God who ordained the rights of freedom and liberty for all humanity; and

WHEREAS, the individuals who comprise the Lancaster Independence Day Parade committee are wholly committed to engendering a strong sense of community, possess a desire to educate, and have a dedication to the founding of this nation under the divine principles of freedom of choice, liberty of conscience, and the unalienable right of all American citizens to work toward personal fiscal responsibility and security guaranteed under the founding documents; and

WHEREAS, the Lancaster Independence Day Parade committee recognized that many people do not know of the history of the establishment of America as a strong and independent nation, or know of the sacrifices made by our founding fathers to ensure a freedom from political and religious tyranny; and

WHEREAS, the Lancaster Independence Day Parade committee also recognized that if we, as an American people, fail to know our history, we will soon forget the power of freedom, and succeeding generations will fail to recognize challenges to our freedoms and constitutional rights, and perhaps even fail to defend those freedoms and rights; and

WHEREAS, the Lancaster Independence Day Parade was organized in an effort to educate the citizenry on these topics and, in fostering a greater sense of community, the Lancaster Independence Day Parade committee members have invited all to celebrate the signing of our Declaration of Independence and the divinely-inspired principles laid down in our Constitution; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby recognize the Lancaster Independence Day Parade, extending our best wishes for its success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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